

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: N. KOYAMA et al.

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For: CMP ABRASIVE, METHOD FOR POLISHING SUBSTRATE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE USING THE SAME, AND ADDITIVE FOR CMP ABRASIVE

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Examiner: Timothy V. Eley

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**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2007, Applicants respectfully elect Specie I (an organic polymer which is polyvinyl pyrrolidone). It is respectfully submitted that, of the claims presently pending in the above-identified application which have not previously been withdrawn from consideration, claims 1, 3-9, 27-30, 33-35 read on the elected Specie I. Moreover, note that claims 7 and 8 recite that the organic polymer is polyvinyl pyrrolidone.

On page 2 of the Office Action mailed October 31, 2007, the Examiner indicates that claim 1 is generic. Upon allowance of a generic claim, it is respectfully submitted that claims of Species II and III are to be re-joined in the above-identified application and be allowed to issue in a U.S. patent issuing therefrom.

In view of all of the foregoing, examination of claims reading on Specie I (that is, claims 1, 3-9, 27-30, 33-35), in due course, are respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Kindly charge any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (case 511.40998X00), and please credit any overpayments to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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